

REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 2, 2003, Applicants hereby elect Group II, drawn to a polypeptide (claims 2-16). Applicant hereby elects Group II without prejudice to Applicant's right to pursue the non-elected subject matter in other applications. Applicants hereby reserve the right to traverse the above restriction with respect to non-elected Groups I, III-VII in this or subsequent applications.

Applicants have cancelled non-elected claims 1 and 17-43. Claims 2, 6,7,8,9,12,14, and 16 have been amended herein. New claims 44-60 have been added. Support for the amendments lies in the original claims as filed and in the specification. See, e.g., page 13, lines 3-17; page 46, lines 1-19.

This paper is being filed timely as a request for a two month extension of time is filed concurrently herewith. It is believe no additional fees or extensions of time are required. In the event any additional fees and/or extensions of time are necessary, the undersigned hereby authorizes the requisite fees to be charged to Deposit Account No. 501668.

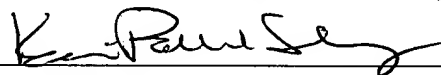
Entry of the remarks made herein is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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